## Class-E Cargo Compartment Fire Mitigation Strategies Subjected to Lithium Battery Fires

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In response to three major fire incidents aboard cargo airplanes and subsequent NTSB recommendations, the Fire Safety Branch was tasked to investigate methods to enhance fire safety in class-E cargo compartments. Accident investigation reports revealed that large shipments of lithium batteries were present in the class-E cargo compartments of the three incidents. The mitigation strategies that were developed to contain fires in class-E cargo compartments and subjected to class-A fires were subjected to lithium metal and lithium-ion battery fires.